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21. (Amended) The hair styling iron of claim 11,  
[wherein] further comprising a pilot lamp, [when on, blinks]  
the pilot lamp having means to blink the lamp on and off at  
predetermined intervals while said electric heater is  
energized.

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REMARKS

Applicant has carefully reviewed the Examiner's Official Action and respectfully requests reconsideration based on the above amendments and the following comments.

Claims 13, 14, 18 and 19 have been cancelled. Claims 10, 11, 12, 15-17 and 20-25 remain in the application for examination.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for his indication that claims 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22 and 23 are allowable subject to being rewritten in independent form and that claims 15 and 21 would be allowable subject to overcoming the Examiner's 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph rejection.

In response, Applicant has amended claims 15 and 21 to eliminate the problem identified by the Examiner and added the features of cancelled claims 13 and 14 to claim 10 and cancelled claims 18 and 19 to claim 11. Applicant respectfully submits that his 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph rejection has now been overcome and that having added the features of allowable claims 14 and 19 respectively to claims 10 and 11 that amended claims 10 and

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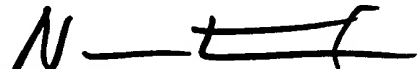
11 are now allowable along with dependent claims 12, 15-17 and 20-25. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that this application is now in condition for allowance.

Applicant submits that the invention is new and unobvious and not disclosed by the cited art. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully solicits the Examiner's early review and issuance of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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